



A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

June 26, 2022
11:00 AM
Third Sunday after Pentecost

PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Grow in Grace, Live in Peace, Serve the Lord

We Gather as God's People

RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME

This is the day the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

PRELUDE

Jesus, I Come

George C. Stebbins

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 9, selected verses

Christopher Dennis, liturgist

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

The Lord is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O Lord, have not forsaken those who seek you.

*HYMN #2

Come, Thou Almighty King

CALL TO CONFESSION

Even in our faithlessness, God loves us still and waits in mercy to forgive. Trusting in the promises of God let us confess our sin before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Most merciful God, you promise us a life full of blessing, but we do not always believe. You encourage us to hope in the future, but we fall back in fear. You urge us to give of ourselves and our resources freely and generously, but we cling to what we have and hide our talents. You call us to watch at all times for you, but we grow lazy and self-absorbed. Forgive us. Increase our hope, enlarge our hearts, keep us alert to the wonders you work in the world every day. Hear now our silent individual confessions.

(Silent Prayer)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! By faith we have been saved, and our hearts washed clean. Refreshed, revived, renewed, empowered by the Holy Spirit, live as ones who are forgiven and freed, giving thanks to God.

RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVENESS #470 **There Is a Longing in Our Hearts**

Refrain: There is a longing in our hearts, O Lord, for you to reveal yourself to us.
There is a longing in our hearts for love we only find in you, our God.

For justice, for freedom, for mercy: hear our prayer. In sorrow, in grief: be near; hear our prayer.
Refrain

For healing, for wholeness, for new life: hear our prayer. In sickness, in death: be near, hear our prayer.
Refrain

We Share God's Word

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 16: 16-40

SERMON

"Disruptive Gospel"

Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt

We Respond to God's Word

SPECIAL MUSIC

I'll Walk With God
Peggy Vaughan, Soprano

Nicholas Brodzsky

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

from "A Brief Statement of Faith"

In life and death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.

But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation.

Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth.

Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.

Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

THE OFFERING

Offertory

Where He Leads Me

John S. Norris

*Hymn of Dedication #606

Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

We Go Forth As God's People

***HYMN #726**

Will You Come and Follow Me?

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #549**

May the Love of the Lord

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**May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.
May God's love dwell in you, throughout every day.
May God's countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.
May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.**

POSTLUDE

God Be With You Till We Meet Again

William G. Tomer

(The congregation is invited to sit in quiet reflection until after the postlude.)

***You are invited to stand.**

Worship Leadership Reverend Debbie Osterhoudt, preaching Christopher Dennis, Liturgist
Peggy Vaughan, Music Director Linda Althoff, piano Audio/video: Steve Bridgman, Ron Skinner
Ushers: Pam Gares, Paul Gares Worship Ministry Co-Chairs: Christina Brizendine, Joanne Lang